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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, [REDACTED]

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FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.  
Director of Joint Computer Support

SUBJECT : RAPID Project

REFERENCE : Your memo dtd 23 Apr 76, same subject

Don -

Thanks for your memo of 23 April. I am sure you realize that we are a long way from being out of the woods on the RAPID Project. While it is true that OJCS has some expertise in managing projects of this type, we need to get both the government and contractor efforts moving toward a common goal if we are to have any hope of success. In this regard, it is essential that we quickly reach agreement on a specification which describes what the government wants to buy and what the contractor agrees to build. Any indecisiveness on the part of the government or foot dragging on the part of the contractor can only reduce our chances of success. We therefore plan to lean hard on both your people and the contractor to reach agreement on a definitive specification and work statement.

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With regard to [REDACTED], administrative action is underway to pick up your slots on our TO and to transfer these men to OJCS. It is unlikely that they can be used by OJCS on the RAPID Project, at least in the early phases. Perhaps we can phase one or both of them back into the Project in the later phases, but it is too early to make a commitment now. You can be certain they will be assigned challenging duties suitable to their professional qualifications. As managers of the MZ Career Service, we have that obligation to them.

The Project Team we are forming will include highly skilled computer professionals experienced in project management. If anyone can salvage the RAPID program, I am confident that our team can do so. With a lot of cooperation and a little luck, we'll make it.

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CLIFFORD D. MAY, JR.

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cc: C/AD

*Due 7 May*

23 April 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Joint Computer Support

SUBJECT : RAPID Project

Danny -

1. Now that our paper on the RAPID system appears headed for approval, I would like to express our appreciation for the participation of OJCS in the project review process and your offer to assume responsibility for project management through the contract period. [redacted] could have seen the project through were we dealing with a straightforward system and a healthy company, but quite clearly we do not have the experience or resources to cope with the development of a system as technically difficult as this system has turned out to be and with a company as sick as the present vendor. We are counting on you and wish you every success. We will assist in any way we can.

2. Under the conditions agreed upon, we will shortly disband our Systems Staff. With that action, [redacted] (OJCS careerists) will cease their work on the RAPID system, a development which I view with great regret. These two men possess strong professional qualifications and vast information and understanding gained in some 25-man months regarding our operational requirements, the system as it has been developed to date, and vendor methodology and personnel. They are personally committed to the completion of a successful system.

3. I urge that OJCS give [redacted] full consideration as you select the RAPID Project Staff. They deserve no less.

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AGENDA    28 APRIL 1976

RAPID   Planning Review

Vendor Guarantees

Estimating Plan



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°Vendor Spec Review  
May 3 - 4

°Vendor Correct Deficiencies  
May 5 - 15

°OJCS Prepare S.O.W  
May 5 - 15

°Review  
May 15 - 22

°Negotiate

RAPID ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

<u>PHASE</u>	<u>DURATION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
System Definition	3 Month	3 Month
Design	3 "	6 "
Code/Unit Test	6 "	<u>12 "</u>
Integrate Subsystems	3 "	15 "
Subsystem Test/Debug	3 "	18 "
Factory Acc. Test	2 "	20 "
Ship/Install	1 "	21 "
System Integration	3 "	24 "
Operational Test	3 "	27 "
Final Acc. Test	1 "	<u>28 "</u>

ADDED SCOPE

Additional Testing	9 months
Project Staff	12 months
Sub-Total	9 man years
Added Conf. Mgt.	<u>1</u> man year
Total Added Scope	10 man years